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Wakefield May End Slump At Rockville

Wakefield High School's basketball team travels to Rockville, Maryland tonight to challenge Richard Montgomery in a battle in which the Warriors hope to start a new winning streak by coming home with their second consecutive victory.

Coach Robbie Robinson's lads are just snapping out of a long, dry period in which the Warriors suffered six losses in a row. Everything from virus epidemics to broken ankles have kept the youthful Warriors in the dog house but Robinson's boys have looked terrific in the past two tangles and if the local lads can continue that pace the situation will improve.

Warren Watson is still improving and his rebound work is excellent. He is averaging 9 points a game and easily doubles that amount on a hot night. Watson is 6'1" tall and likes to go into the air when he wants that ball.

Henry Mayo is the oldest lad on the young Warrior roster, and he just turned 17 recently. Mayo isn't a high scorer because he doesn't shoot much. He has one of the best records for making his shots but unless it's a tap-in Mayo isn't likely to flip in any points. He's probably the most outstanding defensive player on the squad.

Steve Holderness is usually good for about 7 tallies and many rebounds but his all around play is commendable. Sophomore Ray Regan has a good record for successful shooting but he hasn't written new record books. Regan, at exactly six feet tall, and Henry Mayo, who is 6'1", along with Warren Watson are the only three boys on the ball club who reach six feet. Except for Mayo, not one of Robinson's players have reached the age of 17 years.

Don Richards is the offensive gun for Wakefield. Richards heads the scoring parade with a snappy average of 14 points per game. Don is the play-maker for the Warriors and sparkles on defense as well.

Gibson will probably go

into the battle for Wakefield tonight after a long lay off resulting from a broken ankle suffered in the Warriors' third game of the year with Annandale.

Wakefield has not completely shaken the health jinx that has

plagued Robinson's lads so far but the Warriors are in better shape than they have been for many weeks. Robinson's boys could lose tonight if they don't fight hard but letting up is something the Warriors never seem to do.